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THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU REMINDS EAS PARTICIPANTS OF UPCOMING ETRS FORM THREE FILING DEADLINE

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By this Public Notice, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) reminds all Emergency Alert System (EAS) Participants¹ that they are required to report detailed information about their performance in the nationwide EAS test held on September 28, 2016, by filing their EAS Test Reporting System (ETRS) Form Three on or before November 14, 2016.² The Bureau will use the information reported on ETRS Form Three to help evaluate the overall performance of the nationwide EAS and identify any necessary improvements. Late-filed ETRS Form Three reports related to the nationwide September 28, 2016 EAS test will no longer be accepted after December 31, 2016.

Information about ETRS can be found at https://www.fcc.gov/general/eas-test-reporting-system. For further information, contact Austin Randazzo, Attorney Advisor, Policy and Licensing Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, at (202) 418-1462 or austin.randazzo@fcc.gov, or Gregory Cooke, Deputy Chief, Policy and Licensing Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, at (202) 418-2351 or gregory.cooke@fcc.gov.

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¹ The Commission's rules define EAS Participants as radio broadcast stations, including AM, FM, and low-power FM stations; digital audio broadcasting stations, including digital AM, FM, and low-power FM stations; Class A television and low-power TV stations; television broadcast stations, including digital Class A and digital low-power TV stations; cable systems; wireline video systems; wireless cable systems; direct broadcast satellite service providers; and digital audio radio service providers. *See* 47 CFR § 11.11(a).

² EAS Participants are required to file detailed post-test data on ETRS Form Three within 45 days following a nationwide EAS test. *See* 47 CFR § 11.61(a)(3)(iv)(C).